



Interstate 17 Construction Update

July 3, 2008

No I-17 restrictions during Fourth of July Weekend
Overnight lane restrictions next week on I-17, Loop 101 for widening work



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Upcoming Restrictions

Due to Fourth of July weekend, there will be no major restrictions or closures on I-17 or other Valley freeways this weekend. ADOT reminds you to drive safely and plan ahead for road trips by taking along extra food and water. And remember: stay alive, don't drink and drive.

Several closures and restrictions are planned next week on Interstate 17 and Loop 101 (Agua Fria Freeway) for construction of I-17 improvements. Please see the complete list of restrictions below for information about restriction dates, times and alternate routes.

All I-17 improvement projects from Loop 101 to Carefree Highway are scheduled for completion in 2009. Construction to widen I-17 from Carefree Highway to Anthem Way is expected to begin in early 2009 and be complete in 2010.

These projects are some of the first elements of the Regional Transportation Plan for Maricopa County and are funded through a voter-approved sales tax to improve and construct new roads throughout the Valley during the next 20 years. More information on the Regional Transportation Plan is available at www.azdot.gov/ValleyFreeways.

While ADOT strives to inform the public about planned freeway restrictions, during any complex construction project, there is a possibility that unscheduled closures or restrictions may occur. Please visit our [Web site](#) for the most current

information about planned and ongoing I-17 restrictions.

Here's an overview of scheduled restrictions and closures for Interstate 17 projects:

Interstate 17 from Happy Valley Road to Jomax Road

Monday, July 7 – Wednesday, July 9

9 p.m. – 5 a.m.

I-17 from Happy Valley to Jomax roads will be restricted to one lane in each direction, from Monday night until Wednesday morning, to allow the contractor to relocate temporary concrete barriers and apply traffic lane striping.

Interstate 17 at Happy Valley Road

Monday, July 7 – summer 2008

Beginning at 9 p.m.

On Monday, July 7, starting at 9 p.m., the northbound I-17 on-ramp and the southbound I-17 off-ramp at Happy Valley Road are scheduled to be closed for approximately two months for construction of new interchange ramps at this location. During the closure, traffic can use the one-way frontage roads between Happy Valley and Jomax roads to enter and exit I-17 at the new Jomax Road interchange ramps, which will open prior to the ramp closures at Happy Valley Road. [View map](#)

Loop 101 (Agua Fria Freeway) from 27th to 23rd avenues

Monday, July 7 – Wednesday, July 9

9 p.m. – 5 a.m.

Eastbound Loop 101 from 27th to 23rd avenues will be closed nightly from Monday night until Wednesday morning for work related to the I-17 widening project. Loop 101 traffic will be detoured onto the 27th Avenue off-ramp and will use the eastbound frontage road to re-enter Loop 101 at 19th Avenue. Emergency vehicle access will be provided.

Interstate 17 from Carefree Highway (State Route 74) to Dixileta Drive

Tuesday, July 8 – Friday, July 11

10 p.m. – 5 a.m.

Friday, July 11 – Saturday, July 12

9 p.m. – 7 a.m.

Southbound I-17 will be restricted to one lane nightly from Tuesday night until the morning of Saturday, July 12 to set temporary concrete barriers for work on the I-17 widening project.

Interstate 17 at Carefree Highway (State Route 74)

Tuesday, July 8 – Friday, July 11

10 p.m. – 5 a.m.

Northbound I-17 will be closed at Carefree Highway nightly from Tuesday night until Friday morning for earth removal work on the Carefree Highway interchange. I-17 traffic will be detoured onto the interchange ramps at Carefree Highway during the closure. During the same time periods, southbound I-17 will be restricted to one lane at Carefree Highway.

Loop 101 (Agua Fria Freeway) from 23rd to 27th avenues

Wednesday, July 9 - Friday, July 11

9 p.m. - 5 a.m.

Westbound Loop 101 from 23rd to 27th avenues will be closed overnight from Wednesday night until Friday morning for work related to the I-17 widening project. Loop 101 westbound traffic will be detoured onto the 19th Avenue off-ramp and will use the westbound frontage road to re-enter Loop 101 at 27th Avenue. Emergency vehicle access will be provided. The ramps from westbound Loop 101 to I-17 will be open during the closure.

Drivers should anticipate delays and allow extra time, or adjust travel to avoid closures and restrictions. ADOT appreciates your patience as we construct improvements on I-17.

An audio podcast outlining this week's I-17 Traffic Alert can be downloaded from the [ADOT Web site](#).

- For general information about I-17 improvements, contact the I-17 project hotline at 480.890.3055 or projectupdate@lewin-associates.com.
- For information on construction activities, contact Lars Jacoby at 602.712.7176 or ljacoby@azdot.gov.
- For traffic updates across Arizona, visit ADOT's Travel Information Site at www.az511.gov or call 5-1-1.

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